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1. PURSUANT REFTEL, POST TRANSMITS HERewith SUGGESTED REMARKS TO BE DELIVERED BY MEMBER OF U.S. IPU DELEGATION AT TIME OF PROGRESS AND ENVIRONMENT EXHIBIT INAUGURAL APRIL 17. RECOMMEND ASST. GC RYAN REVIEW THESE PRIOR DEPARTURE FOR BUCHAREST. POST CAN CLEAR TEXT WITH ST. CLAIRE UPON LATTER'S ARRIVAL HERE. IN EVENT NO MEMBER U.S. DEL, AVAILABLE FOR OPENING CEREMONY, AMBASSADOR WILL DELIVER REMARKS, WITH MINOR CHANGES IN WORDING AS APPROPRIATE. BEGIN TEXT:

2. "IT IS A SPECIAL PLEASURE FOR ME TO BE IN BUCHAREST TO HELP OPEN THIS EXHIBIT, AND I WISH TO EXPRESS MY THANKS TO MR. FOR HIS WARM WORDS OF WELCOME, AND TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WHOSE SPONSORSHIP HAS MADE SUCH AS EXHIBIT POSSIBLE.

"AT A TIME WHEN MANY NATIONS IN THE WORLD ARE SEEKING TO INCREASE OR MAINTAIN INDUSTRIAL GROWTH IN WAYS THAT WILL NOT DO IRREPARABLE HARM TO THE ENVIRONMENT, THE DISPLAY WE ARE INAUGURATING HERE TODAY - PROGRESS AND THE ENVIRONMENT - SEEMS PARTICULARLY APT.

"TECHNOLOGY IS ESSENTIAL FOR INDUSTRIAL GROWTH, GROWTH THAT IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE A BETTER LIFE FOR CITIZENS OF ALL
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COUNTRIES EVERYWHERE. THERE WAS A TIME WHEN RAPID INDUSTRIAL-

IZATION WAS THOUGHT TO BE HIGHLY DESIRABLE AND AN END IN ITSELF, WITH EACH DAY BRINGING NEW ADVANCES IN TECHNOLOGY TO SPUR THAT GROWTH. BUT IN THE PAST TEN YEARS OR SO, ALL OF US HAVE BEEN MADE AWARE THAT WE ARE LIVING ON A RELATIVELY SMALL PLANET, WITH IRREPLACEABLE RESOURCES. THIS REALIZATION, COUPLED WITH THE ENORMOUS INCREASE IN WORLD POPULATION, HAS LED TO THE CURRENT WORLDWIDE MOVEMENT TOWARD STEPS TO PRESERVE THE ENVIRONMENT. ROMANIA, I UNDERSTAND, IS IN FACT ONE OF THE FEW COUNTRIES TO HAVE CREATED AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL A GOVERNMENTAL BODY AIMED SPECIFICALLY IN THIS DIRECTION - THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE ENVIRONMENT. SUCH AN INITIATIVE SEEMS ALL THE MORE SIGNIFICANT TO ME AND THE MANY PEOPLE IN MY COUNTRY WHO HAVE OBSERVED ROMANIA'S IMPRESSIVE GROWTH RATE IN RECENT YEARS AND WHO GREATLY ADMIRE THE ENERGY AND DETERMINATION WHICH SHE HAS BROUGHT TO THIS EFFORT.

"WHILE IT IS TRUE THAT TECHNOLOGY HAS MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO POLLUTE AND DESTROY OUR ENVIRONMENT, IT IS ALSO TRUE THAT THIS SAME TECHNOLOGY, AS A SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINE, CAN SHOW US THE WAY TO PROMOTE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN SUCH A WAY THAT NO LASTING DAMAGE TO THE FRAGILE EARTH WILL OCCUR. THIS IS THE CENTRAL THEME OF THIS EXHIBIT - THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY TO CREATE NEW JOBS AND INDUSTRIES IN ORDER THAT EVERYONE MAY HAVE A BETTER, LONGER LIFE - AND TO DO IT IN A WAY THAT WILL LEAVE US WITH CLEAN AIR, WATER, AND SOIL. INDEED, THE HOPE OF ALL OF US CONCERNED WITH THE CRITICAL QUESTIONS OF WHAT MIGHT BE CALLED ECOLOGICAL MANAGEMENT IS THAT TECHNOLOGY CAN BE USED NOT ONLY TO PREVENT DAMAGE TO OUR ENVIRONMENT IN THE FUTURE BUT TO RECLAIM SOME OF THOSE PRECIOUS RESOURCES SO SERIOUSLY TAINTED IN THE PAST.

"THE JOB OF IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE ON THIS EARTH CROSSES NATIONAL BOUNDARIES, AND THE PRESENCE OF THIS EXHIBIT IN ROMANIA IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE KIND OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION THAT IS NECESSARY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF THE ENVIRONMENT. 'INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION' IS, BY THE WAY, A PHENOMENON WITH WHICH ROMANIA HAS A GOOD DEAL OF PRACTICAL AND PRODUCTIVE EXPERIENCE, A FACT MOST RECENTLY ILLUSTRATED BY THE PRESENCE HERE IN BUCHAREST OF SO MANY DIFFERENT PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS FROM COUNTRIES ALL OVER THE WORLD. WE APPRECIATE THE HOSPITALITY THAT ROMANIA HAS SO GRACIOUSLY

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EXTENDED AS HOST FOR THE IPU MEETINGS THIS WEEK AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEMONSTRATE THAT IN THE FIELD OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, AS IN SO MANY OTHERS, U.S.-ROMANIAN TIES CONTINUE TO DEVELOP. I AM ESPECIALLY GRATIFIED, IN THIS CONNECTION, THAT A NUMBER OF MY COLLEAGUES FROM THE AMERICAN IPU CONTINGENT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO JOIN US FOR THESE INAUGURAL CEREMONIES. I KNOW THAT THEY FULLY SHARE THE PLEASURE I FEEL AS I CUT THE RIBBON AND DECLARE THIS EXHIBIT OFFICIALLY OPEN."

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